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New Haven, Connecticut (06504), through which post office box he handles correspondence.

of the organization and operates out of his home, 110-39 64th Road, Forest Hills, New York (11375).

CHEN advised that Louis Kutner is the legal counsel for the organization and he is located at 105 West Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois (60603).

CHEN stated that Jeremiah Mc Kenna, an attorney from 10 East 40th Street, New York City, has been retained relative to the shooting in New York City on April 24, 1970 for Peter W. Huang and CHENG Tzu-tsai.

CHEN restated that the organization of which he is secretary for external affairs, had nothing to do with and was in no way involved with the shooting in New York City and in this regard, he made available a flyer captioned "World United Formosans for Independence" dated April 25, 1970, "for release to all media." This flyer read as follows:

"The World United Formosans for Independence is in no way associated with or responsible for the unfortunate and deplorable event which occurred at the Hotel Plaza, New York City, at the hour of noon on April 24,

"As an organization passionately committed to justice, human freedom, human rights, and human dignity, World United Formosans for Independence can only deplore and renounce acts of violence and the syndrome of political assassination.

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his background was known to officials of this newspaper.

- 2) Will maintain contact with established sources in both the Yugoslav and German language fields in a further effort to follow the activities of subject and to determine if he is engaged in intelligence type activity.
- 3) Efforts will also be made to further identify contacts of subject mentioned in this report in an attempt to learn significance of such contacts.

The Legat at Bonn is being requested by separate letterhead memorandum to contact the Bundesamt fuer Verfassungsschutz (BfV - West German Federal Agency for the Protection of the Constitution) for information desired pertaining to subject as set forth under the Administrative Section (5)

4) Chicago will report results of above contact when received.

ADMINISTRATIVE

One copy of this report has been designated for the Washington Field and New York Offices for information purposes in asmuch as Yugoslav establishments are located at these locations and it is possible that sources familiar with contacts of these Yugoslav installations might furnish information pertinent to this investigation

One additional copy of this report has been furnished the Bureau in the event additional dissemination should be desired. \

One copy of this report has been furnished to the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Chicago, for information purposes in view of the citizenship status of subject.

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Instant report is being classified secret because it contains information furnished by CG T-6 and CG T-7 in order to further protect the sources of this information.

WF 1373 St was contacted by a representative of the Washington Field Office but this source was unable to furnish any information regarding subject. Chicago had requested that this source be contacted to determine if information was known to this source which would be pertinent to this investigation. Inasmuch as the information is negative, the results of this contact have been placed in the Administrative Section.

Information is set forth in instant report pertaining to Attorney LOUIS KUTNER. It is to be noted that Attorney LOUIS KUTNER mentioned in the report is identical with Former CG 5973-C and background information pertaining to KUTNER in this connection has been furnished to the Bureau (Bureau file 137-1601).

Attention is directed to the fact that under the caption "HANS REICHEL, RACIAL MATTERS", Chicago file 100-4672, information has been received from Legat, Bonn, reporting that the BfV as of September 10, 1963, furnished information which they had received concerning HANS REICHEL. It was stated that a source of unknown reliability had reported to the above mentioned BfV that HANS REICHEL was active in extreme rightist organizations in the United States and was attempting to establish a group of this type of his own (5)

This information obviously pertains to HANS REICHEL, Assistant Business Manager of "Abendpost", who has been identified in instant investigation as one of the subject's bitter enemies inasmuch as REICHEL stood in his path in respect to subject's objectives as editor of "Abendpost". Investigation has disclosed that subject has resorted to various means to discredit REICHEL

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and to identify him with extreme Nazi type German organizations as a possible means of forcing REICHEL out of "Abendpost". Current information known pertaining to Mr. REICHEL's activity in German organizations does not substantiate allegations made by KONDICH. Information set forth in instant report will disclose that subject was in correspondence with a publishing house in East Berlin during recent months 6/It is to be further noted that he formerly worked in West Berlin in the newspaper field and reportedly had contacts in East Berlin. In view of these facts, it would appear both possible and logical that subject directly or indirectly was responsible for the allegation made against Mr. REICHEL to the above mentioned German Intelligence Service 6

The legat in Bonn by separate letterhead is being requested to discreetly contact established sources in connection with BfV in an attempt to learn whether their source, described as of unknown reliability, who furnished the information concerning REICHEL, is identical with subject. In the event it can be ascertained that their source is not identical with subject, than any additional inquiries are being left to the discretion of the Legat at Bonn

INFORMANTS

Source

CG T-1 ZORAN KNEZEV, 1448 West Albion Street, Chicago, Illinois (Requested)

CG T-2
Mrs. ISABELLA PRZYSIEZNY,
who is known professionally
as ISABELLE ERBE, City Editor
of the "Abendpost", Chicago
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CG T-3
Mr. HANS REICHEL,
4642 North Clarendon Street,
Chicago, Illinois, Assistant
Manager of "Abendpost", Chicago
(Requested)

CG T-4
Mr. RICHARD SPERBER,
4720 North Lincoln Avenue,
Chicago, former Editor of
"Abendpost"
(Requested)

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Synopsis:

Subject continues to reside 1450 West Albion Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and retained his position as Editor of "Abendpost", a large German publication in Chicago, until approximately the middle of November of 1963, at which time he was fired from this position. He is presently reportedly employed by the Croatian Franciscan Monastery Print Shop, publishers of the Catholic newspaper "Danica" (Morning Star), 4851 South Drexel Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. Just prior to subject's discharge from "Abendpost", he participated in publication of a Serbian newspaper called "Yugoslav Herald" which fact was stated to have been instrumental in bringing about subject's discharge. This newspaper ceased publication after the first issue following the development of ill feelings between subject and Attorney LUISS KUTNER, who collaborated with subject in the publication of this newspaper. Prior to subject's dismissal from "Abendpost", he solicited Communist type literature from a publishing outlet in East Berlin and Communist literature was directed to subject at "Abendpost". Subject was accused of disruptive tactics among German organizations in the Chicago area and while at "Abendpost" reportedly furnished information to the head of an extremely anti-Nazi organization in Chicago.

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DETAILS:

The following organization mentioned in this report, which has not been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450, is characterized in the Appendix Section of this report. \ \

I. BACKGROUND

Residence

CG T-1 on December 11, 1963, advised that subject continues to reside at 1450 West Albion Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. \

CG T-2 on December 18, 1963, advised that subject had unlisted telephone number 764-2635.

Employment

CG T-2 on December 18, 1963, advised that subject subsequent to his discharge from "Abendpost", a large German newspaper printed in Chicago, obtained employment in the print shop of the Catholic Croatian Franciscan Monastery newspaper "Danica" (Morning Star), 4851 South Drexel Boulevard, Chicago.

Additional Background Data

On May 1, 1963, SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL reviewed the original papers of divorce involving subject's wife,

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case number 57184-D, at the Office of the District County Clerk, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas. It was noted that the petition was filed on September 10, 1951, by PATRICK DROUGHT, Plaintiff, against JELENA ANTONOVIC DROUGHT as defendant. Attorney for the plaintiff was C. C. RENFRO, Republic Bank Building, Dallas, and attorney for the defendant was JOSEPH WARREN MATTHEWS, JR. of Dallas, Texas, who was appointed by the court. The petition alleged that PATRICK DROUGHT then was stationed at Great Falls Air Force Base, Montana, but had previously resided at Dallas County, Texas, from 1939 to June, 1942, and that he is a native of Texas. While stationed at Casablanca, French Morocco, Africa, he married JELENA ANTONOVIC who was then living with a sister in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. This marriage was by proxy. He alleged that they had not lived together since September 15, 1949. The grounds for divorce was alleged as extreme cruelty. The defendant's last known address was shown in the petition as Frankfurt, Germany, but alleged that she had returned to Yugoslavia. PATRICK DROUGHT's address of June, 1952, was 709 Second Avenue North, Great Falls, Montana. He requested at that time that a certified copy of the divorce record be furnished. Records show that no children were born to this marriage and no community property was involved. These records disclosed that a letter had been received by PATRICK DROUGHT from JELENA DROUGHT postmarked Paris, France, October 1, 1959. In this letter she spoke about her coming death and she mentioned that, "These are the last days of her life". These records also include a statement of WILLARD M. COLLINS, Corporal, U.S. Air Force, AF 14247312, as of March 10, 1950, who stated that PATRICK DROUGHT during 1949 displayed great anxiety concerning his wife's actions. COLLINS stated that he had previous knowledge of JELENA DROUGHT's attempt at suicide in February, 1949. Divorce was granted in the 95th District Court, Dallas County, on June 17, 1952. On July 18, 1952, Attorney P. L. WALDECK, San Antonio, Texas, requested a certified copy of the divorce record. It was also noted that FRANC ZUGEL, described as Consulate General, Yugoslav Consulate, 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, on December 9, 1953, requested a copy of the divorce judgment be certified.

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II. ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS

Publication of "The Yugoslav Herald"

It was stated that it had been learned that subject was instrumental in publishing a Yugoslav newspaper called "The Yugoslav Herald". This publication listed subject as Editor and Chief under the name ANDREW L. KONDICH. The publisher and managing editor was listed as DUIS KUTNER. The first and only issue of this publication was dated October 1, 1963, and was printed in the Serbo-Croatian language. It consisted of eight pages. It was stated that this paper was reportedly printed at 448 West Barry Avenue, Chicago, the headquarters of the Dusan Silni Club, which was stated to also print a newspaper called "Serbian Struggle". It was explained that Mr. KUTNER is a prominent Chicago attorney who has been active in such organizations as B'nái B'rith and the Anti-Defamation League of Chicago. It was stated, however, that subsequent to the publication of this paper, KUTNER and KONDICH had had a violent disagreement. As a result of this difficulty, KUTNER will now have nothing to do with KONDICH and no additional issues of the paper are to be printed. The opinion was expressed by CG T-3 that KUTNER probably financed the paper under the belief that it could be profitable. It was stated that a copy of this publication had been made available to the owner of "Abendpost" in which location subject was employed as editor. At this time the owner, Mr. REYNOLDS, was in the process of seeking a replacement for KONDICH and the knowledge of subject's activity in publishing this Yugoslav newspaper further angered Mr. REYNOLDS. It was stated that just as soon as a replacement for KONDICH could be selected, KONDICH was to be fired and to be given orders to immediately vacate his office. Mr. REYNOLDS has stated he would

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pay the subject to the termination of his agreement but his presence at the newspaper will no longer be tolerated. The opinion was expressed that this would take place within a week.

It was pointed out that subject as editor of "Abendpost" had continued to take every means to prevent articles from appearing in "Abendpost" which would reflect unfavorably on Communist issues. An actual example was described in which an article from another German newspaper was furnished to KONDICH to be printed in the "Abendpost". This article gave factual data concerning incidents involving TITO's Partisan Army which fought in Yugoslavia and which forces killed American airmen who were forced down in Yugoslavia.

After this article was given to KONDICH and it was noted that it was not printed, a thorough search of the printing room was made by the printer and a member of "Abendpost" in an effort to determine where this article had been placed. When the article could not be found, subject was confronted and after a little search, made the article available. On another occasion a letter was received from a customer of "Abendpost" setting forth extensive information taken from the Congressional record of October 14, 1963, indicating opposition to After complaints the visit of President TITO of Yugoslavia. were received pertaining to the final printing of this article, it was determined that subject had deleted everything from the original article which opposed Communism or denounced the visit of TITO to the United States. respect to the visit of TITO to the United States, subject was heard to express pleasure over the fact that TITO had been invited to visit the United States and expressed hope that he would have a pleasant stay while here. the course of conversations with subject concerning TITO and Communism, he again pointed out that it was foolish to oppose Communism since it was bound to come into force anyway and cited the fact that even the President of the United States welcomed TITO, a Communist, to this country.

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CG T-4 on November 15, 1963, furnished the following information:

It was stated that subject had been discharged from his position as editor of "Abendpost" on or about November 15, 1963. The exact basis of dismissal was not known but it was known that he was told that he should not report back to "Abendpost" at all and that his services were completely terminated and he was paid the balance of his pay period.

On November 12, 1963, CG T-4 advised that information had been learned that subject and his wife had printed a Serbian language newspaper during the night hours at 448 West Barry Avenue in Chicago. address was stated to be the Dusan Silni Club, a Serbian organization which had the reputation of being anti-Communist. It was stated that subject was listed as editor of this publication and an attorney by the name of LOUISAKUTNER J. L. was listed as publisher and managing editor. The name of the newspaper was stated to be "The Yugoslav Herald". A copy of this paper was made available by CG T-4 and it was noted that the masthead of the paper set forth that the paper was the voice of 500,000 South Slavs in the Midwest. The issue was dated October 1, 1963. The paper set forth that it is published weekly and that the general office was at 105 West Adams Street, Chicago 3, Illinois. Subscription price for one year was \$5.00. It was noted that the paper was written in the Serbo-Croatian language and contained advertisements of various Yugoslav companies as well as English firms. It was noted that there was an article concerning the managing editor whose name was listed as LUIS KUTNER and the article and photograph appeared on page 5, columns 1 and 2. The article set forth background information pertaining to KUTNER which described him as the author of a plan for a "World Habeas Corpus" in connection with the United Nations. He was described as a well known Chicago attorney, a legal Counsel of the American Senate and former General Consul of Guatemala in Chicago as well as a former professor at Yale College. Another article on this same page described

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KUTNER as Legal Counselor for the European Claims Center also located at 105 West Adams Street, Chicago, which was described as furnishing aid to victims of Nazism and persons having claims were urged to bring them to this location. An associate of KUTNER in this respect was listed as Dr. GEORGE L. MARTENS, General Director of the European Claims Center.

On page 4 of this issue, columns 3, 4 and 5, there appeared an announcement from the paper setting forth that this paper intended to publish news articles of interest to Yugoslav people from a neutral standpoint. It was noted that on page 6, column 1 of this issue, there appeared an article captioned "Miss Helen Speaks" and a photograph of a woman appeared at this point. It was stated by CG T-4 that this woman was the wife of subject. On page 6 columns 2 and 3, there appeared an article and picture of GUSTAVXLIKAN, a prominent Yugoslav painter. According to CG T-4\a review of this article disclosed that the article was complimentary to LIKAN and set forth background information pertaining to him as well as views on a number of questions pertaining to both art and living conditions in Chicago and in Yugoslavia. explained that it had been learned from Mrs. LIKAN that this article pertaining to her husband had been published without the knowledge of either her or her husband and that subject did not have authority to print the article although it was not derogatory in nature. It was learned that she had requested additional copies of the newspaper from Mr. KUTNER, who is her attorney. It was also learned that Mrs. LIKAN had contacted representatives of the Serbian Publishing Company of 448 Barry Avenue where this paper was reportedly printed in an effort to learn something about the paper, and she was informed that no information was available concerning this publication.

CG T-4 further advised that it had also been learned that since the publication of this newspaper,

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KUTNER had been contacted by a representative of some U. S. Government agency and had apparently decided he wanted nothing to do with the paper. In addition, he reportedly became involved in an angry argument with subject and accused subject of misrepresentation and fraud and ordered him out of the office. As a result, no additional issues of this publication were to be printed.

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CG T-5 on November 15, 1963 furnished the following information pertaining to events surrounding the publication of the newspaper "Yugoslav Herald". He advised that on a Sunday evening about 10:30 several Sundays previous, one MIODRAG TVANOVICH called at his home for the purpose of delivering a copy of "Yugoslav Herald" Tt was explained that CG T-5 had never ordered this paper and in fact never heard that such a paper was to be published. It was explained that IVANOVICH conducts_a_travel_service_for Yugoslav individuals_desiring_to_travel to Yugoslavia and has the frequent contact with representatives of reputation of being in the Yugoslav Consulate General in Chicago. He has also distributed literature to CG T-5 that was published in Yugoslavia (U) advised that upon reviewing this issue of the aforementioned paper, he noted that it was printed in the Serbo-Croatian language and was described as more or less neutral in respect to reporting news items of interest to Yugoslav people. He moted in the paper that subject was listed as editor, and the address of the paper was given as 105 West Adams Street, Chicago. 🛛 🕡

Shortly after receiving this publication he went to the address on ADAMS in an effort to contact KONDICH to discuss this publication. He was directed to the office of Mr. LUIS KUTNER, who was described in this publication as publisher and managing editor and his name was listed as LUIS KUTNER in the publication. At the office of Mr. KUTNER, a secretary and receptionist of Mr. KUTNER, advised CG T-5 that Mr KONDICH, was not available at this location but could be reached by telephone and she put through a telephone call to Mr. KONDICH and made a telephone available to CG T-5 to speak with Mr. KONDICH. CG T-5 congratulated Mr. KONDICH on the publication but Mr. KONDICH rather excitedly inquired as to how CG T-5 learned of the publication. No specific information was furnished to subject in answer to this inquiry. This conversation was carried on in the Serbo-Croatian language. After the completion of this conversation with Mr. KONDICH the receptionist informed CG T-5 that she had in her possession a letter from Belgrade, Yugoslavia, which was in the Serbo-Croatian language and she had to answer this letter. She stated that she had been instructed to cancel the order mentioned in this communication inasmuch as the

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"Yugoslav Herald" would not be published any longer. Inasmuch as she had noted that CG T-5 spoke Serbo-Croatian, she asked him to translate this letter for her which he did. It was noted that this letter was from Belgrade, Yugoslavia in answer to an inquiry pertaining to the cost of receiving a rather large amount of literature and publication material from Yugoslavia. Included in the literature requested were all of the back issues of the publication "Politica" which were printed in Belgrade starting in 1946 to date. The cost of the literature requested was approximately \$1,000

CG T-6 during October, 1963, made available the following information pertaining to the publication "Yugoslav Herald"

During September, 1963, Mr. LUIS KUTNER requested financial support from CG T-6, an agency that conducts intelligence and security type investigations, in the launching of a newspaper to be circulated in the middle west and to be known as "Yugoslav Herald". It was learned that Mr. KUTNER would be the publisher and ANDREW KONDICH, described as a Yugoslav national, would be the editor. The post of managing editor was to be held open but Mr. KUTNER was confident that a candidate would be found for this job. On this occasion KUTNER spoke in some detail of neo-Nazi sentiments and meetings in the Chicago area and hinted that KONDICH had wide sources for information in this field

Correspondence with East German Publication Sources

CG T-7 during October, 1963, furnished the following information pertaining to correspondence on the part of subject with a publication located in East Germany. It was learned that the typewritten airmail letter, postmarked at Chicago, Illinois, on September 25, 1963, was addressed to An die, Liga fuer Voelkerfreundschaft, Berlin W S, Thaelmannplatz, 8/9, Germany. It is to be noted the above addressee is translated, "League for International Friendship". This letter was signed, Andrew L

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Kondich, The Abendpost Company, 223 West Washington Street, Chicago 6, Illinois. KONDICH was described in the letter as editor and chief of the Abendpost-Sonntagpost and Milwaukee Deutsche Zeitung. KONDICH in this communication confirmed the receipt of the illustration "Berlin" and congratulated the addressee for the wonderful contents and the good technical appearance. KONDICH requested that he received regularly some large daily newspaper from Berlin and also "Cultural and Treatrical Publications". KONDICH stated that, "We are interested in the publication and 'problems of peace and socialism' and similar literature." KONDICH stated that he would be especially grateful to receive the address of the Encyclopedia Publishing House in Leipzig (C)

CG T-4 on December 16, 1963 made available a portion of a wrapper from a package which had been sent to subject addressed to the Abendpost in Chicago. The contents of this package was determined to be a book captioned, "Red Snow" written by GEUNTHER HOFE. CG T-3 described this person as a communist author who is presently imprisoned in Western Germany and the East German communists are trying to obtain release of this person. This book has been retained in the possession of the Abendpost. It is noted that the wrapper was addressed to "The Abendpost, in care of Andrew L. Kondich" with return address "Arbeitskreis zur Pflege der deutschen Kultur und Sprache, Berlin W 8, Mauerstrabe 45.

It was further stated that another book has been sent to subject in care of The Abendpost captioned "Communist Party in West Germany". This book is also being retained by The Abendpost.

German-American National Congress (DANK)

CG T-2 advised that a meeting of the German-American National Congress was held on September 16, 1963 at which time speeches were made which were considered by CG T-2 to be strongly pro-German. CG T-2 advised after attending this meeting he related facts pertaining to the meeting to subject. (December 18, 1963.)

CG T-4 during August, 1963 advised that in respect to German organizations, subject made the boast that he had been sent to

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Chicago by a "secret" organization to hunt down Nazi individuals and with the aid of this "secret" organization he would be able to destroy any such organization. It was learned that subject had been made a member of the Sudaton American-German organization, described as a social group, and CG T-4 made the comment that this was most unusual because membership required German ancestry, and furthermore to be a member one should have been active for many years in other German organizations. It was pointed out that in respect to activity on the part of subject among German organizations, subject had had violent arguments with Mr. HANS REICHEL of the Abendpost staff. In the course of these arguments he threatened the REICHEL, making the comment that he would get even with him some day.

It was stated on this occasion that it had been learned that subject is a member of the Sokol in Czechoslovakia. organization was described as athletic in its general background but extremely nationalistic and anti-German. The opinion was expressed that subject was admitted to membership in this group due to his slavic background. It was further explained in respect to this organization that when the communists took over Czechoslovakia the communists also took over this Sokol and permitted it to exist. It was further learned that subject, during the course of conversation with an employee of Abendpost, disclosed that he possessed detailed knowledge in respect to restaurants and landmarks in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Subject on one occasion admitted that he had been in Prague but he did not explain how or why. CG T-4 pointed out that Prague has the oldest German University in Europe where it would be the logical place to study German.

CG T-3 during August, 1963, advised that subject continued his disruptive tactics both at the Abendpost and among German organizations in the Chicago area. He continued to exhibit a procommunist attitude in the selection of news articles and gave much space to such news items as KHRUSHCHEV and other iron curtain country leaders, but refused to print news of local interest to Abendpost readers.

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It was stated that subject has reportedly made the statement to members of the Abendpost that he would control all German organizations in Chicago or he would destroy them.

CG T-3 explained in respect to subject's attitude toward DANK, that he is violently opposed to this organization and has stated that he will soon expose the organization as Nazi. CG T-3 further explained that in respect to the aforementioned meeting of DANK, subject made every effort to encourage REICHEL to attend this meeting which, according to CG T-3, was apparently anticipated by subject as a meeting which would be later described as pro-Nazi in nature. CG T-3 pointed out that subject undoubtedly desired to associate REICHEL with such a meeting as a means of discrediting him and possibly forcing him to lose influence in connection with the "Abendpost".

In respect to this intense hatred on the part of subject for REICHEL, CG T-3 pointed out during August, 1963 that subject on occasions exhibited a violent hate toward REICHEL, made threatening remarks and made the comment that REICHEL would regret his actions. On several occasions REICHEL was actually afraid that subject would take physical violence against him. It was further pointed out that subject had used the name of REICHEL in articles printed in "Abendpost' pertaining to German organizations without the permission of REICHEL which tended to discredit REICHEL in the eyes of his associates, and to cause dissension and ill feelings among German organizations.

CG T-3 has noted that more and more people are beginning to make inquiry about subject's background. Included among persons making such inquiries was a representative of the German Consulate in Chicago. In this respect, Mr. MOTT of the German Consulate implied that he had knowledge that subject had actually traveled from East Germany to West Germany and he did not believe that subject had a German background. He reportedly made the comment that it was easy to obtain travel papers desired in East Berlin.

It was pointed out that subject was continually working to get his select group of friends into leadership capacity in the German organizations.

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CG T-5 further advised on November 15, 1963, that on Sunday, November 10, 1963, while walking in Lincoln Park, he was approached by subject and it appeared to be a coincidence that he would meet subject at this location. Subject stated that a group of Nazis are holding a celebration in honor of a prominent German individual at the location of a statuette in the park. It was stated that this statuette was in honor of one SCHRIBNER (phonetic). Subject asked CG T-5 to accompany him to this affair explaining that he had to keep close watch on the Nazis. He instructed CG T-5 not to speak any language except German at the affair so as not to disclose their Yugoslav background. Subject stated that he would give this affair publicity in the "Abendpost".

CG T-3 on November 12, 1963, in discussing subject's activities among German organizations, pointed out that subject kept himself well-informed pertaining to meetings among German organizations of interest to him, and was considered by CG T-3 as the logical person to furnish information concerning the meetings to representatives of the Chicago press. It was pointed out that it had been learned that subject was a member of the Press Club in Chicago which membership includes most of the leading newspaper reporters in the Chicago area. According to subject. membership in the Press Club costs \$2000. However. CG T-3 has learned from other sources that the membership fee is only \$700. Nevertheless, CG T-3 questioned subject's financial ability to afford membership in this club regardless of the price. It was pointed out that "Chicago Daily News" reporter TONY WEITZEL on occasions recently published extremely pro-Nazi type information which CG T-3 suspected had been furnished by subject. It was pointed out that subject will take any means to brand individuals whom he dislikes or desires to remove from his path, Nazi supporters. It was stated that he has consistently resorted to every available means to so brand Mr. REICHEL of the "Abendpost" since he would like to remove this individual from his position at "Abendpost".

It was pointed out that officials of the German Club in Chicago, a social German organization, now desired to get rid of subject, but were hesitant to expel him. They have taken means

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to discourage his attendance at the club. CG T-4 on May 7, 1963, advised, that a letter dated March 21, 1963, was sent to WILLIAM C CLANCY of the University Club of Chicago who was also chairman of a public affairs committee of the Steuben Club of Chicago. This letter was signed ANDREW L. According to CG T-4 the contents of this letter KONDICH. were slanderous and a defamation of character of Mr. RICHARD SPERBER who has been active in German organizations in the Chicago area and an outspoken enemy of subject. KONDICH in this letter did not specifically refer to SPERBER as a communist but pointed out that SPERBER had submitted an article for publication to a publication in which well known communists reportedly regularly write. CG T-4 pointed this incident out as a direct effort on the part of subject to neutralize anticommunist activities among German organizations. anticipated by CG T-4 that KONDICH would become involved in a law suit as a result of this matter.

CG T-8 on December 18, 1963, advised that subject had attended meetings of the organization, National Committee Against Nazi War Criminals and Nazism in America. It was further stated that subject furnished information concerning certain German organizations and individuals to Rabbi YAMPOL, head of the above mentioned organization. CG T-9 has advised during December, 1963, that it was his belief that subject had furnished information pertaining to German organizations to Rabbi YAMPOL whom this source described as a person who was anti-communist in his political views but would accept aid from communists if it served the purpose of opposing Nazism.

Miscellaneous

Knowledge of Yugoslav Matters

CG T-5 on Nev. 15, 1963, advised that in the course of contact with subject t was noted that subject knew the entire background of CG T-5 including the identity of persons with whom CG T-5 had been associated in Belgrade, Yugoslavia Subject was well versed pertaining to political events which had taken place in Yugoslavia as well as Germany during the last war. This source on this occasion expressed the opinion that the type of detailed information known to subject would not

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ordinarily be known to the average person unless that person had been briefed on the background of CG T-5.2 CG T-5 on April 29, 1963, advised that he had noticed publicity in the "Abendpost" which set forth that subject was working part time for the Commercial National Bank in the German Department as an advisor. CG T-5 on this occasion pointed out that he had noted that there is a great deal of activities among West Germans at this time in the purchasing of real estate. He also pointed out that he has noted that the Communist Party is very interested in financial transactions on the part of German individuals active in West Germany.

CG T-5 on September 11, 1963, advised that he had noted publicity in the "Abendpost" which announced that a meeting of scientists from all over the world would meet during November, 1963, at the Conrad Hilton Hotel. was listed as a person who would also attend this meeting. CG T-5 further advised on this occasion that subject in the course of contacts had urged source to join German clubs in Chicago stressing the fact that many prominent officials attend meetings of the German Club Subject encouraged CG T-5 to join the German Club stating that the membership was \$150.00 per year and that he, subject, would vouch for CG T-5 and there would be no problem in joining the club. CG T-5 advised Nevember 15, 1963, that in the course of recent contact with subject, subject took him to the Conrad Hilton Hotel at which location a convention or meeting was being held attended by representatives of many scientific organizations throughout the country. Subject commented that he was the only person in attendance who was not a citizen of the United States 15) He had a badge on his coat lapel which gas him admittance to the affair 13) However, while at the hotel, subject did not take part in any activities of the aforementioned Convention but engage CG T-5 [in an extensive conversation, attempting to identify and ascertain background information concerning individuals known to CG T-5 during the early 1940's in Belgrade, Yugoslavials CG T-5 explained that during this early 1940 period he had been associated with a youth publication as well as with other anti-communist Serbian groups Subject questioned CG T-5 in detail for any information he could recal Pertaining to individuals known to him who were active in various organizations and publications at that time. He attempted to develop specific information about these individuals and other political background or any

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information CG T-5 could recall. Subject expressed an interest in learning the current addresses of these individuals and in the course of conversation took detailed notes in a rather business like procedure. Cafter having conversed concerning Yugoslav organizations and individuals in Yugoslavia for a period of several hours, subject then took CG T-5 to the St. Clair Hotel on the near north side of Chicago and they went to the Press Club located on an upper floor at this hotel. It was noted that this was a luxurious type club and KONDICH was familar with this place. At this location KONDICH again engaged CG T-5 in a long, detailed conversation concerning individuals known to CG T-5 (in Yugoslavia) CG T-5 pointed out that on occasions when he CG T-5, was unable to Fecall names, dates and so forth, subject would readily furnish this information indicating that he possessed detailed and accurate knowledge of extensive Yugoslav matters. which had taken place in Yugoslavial during the past ten years.

On this occasion KONDICH referred to an attempted underground type crossing of the Yugoslav border attempted by a group of Yugoslav Individuals who left from Austria 19. He pointed out that they were immediately apprehended by the Yugoslav intelligence 18 KONDICH expressed a desire to know what part one YUKASEN PEROVICH played in this incident. CG T-5 explained that PEROVICH was known to him as a Tugoslav refuge but no significant information was known concerning his background. CG T-5 again commented on the fact that based upon subject's obvious knowledge of practically every political event and identities of backgrounds of innumerable individuals in Belgrade, he was described as almost a genius due to his ability to retain all this type information. CG T-5 expressed the opinion based upon contacts had with subject and the nature of subject's inquiries that subject is an agent of an intelligence organization of some type believed by source to be the Yugoslav Intelligence Service (UDBa 15)

CG T-3 on August 29, 1963, pointed out in respect to subject's peculiar activities that it had been learned on one occasion that he had recently received a check for \$1,060 through the mail while at "Abendpost" but the sender of the check was not identified. It was further pointed out that subject had recently purchased a very expensive portable short-wave receiving radio set.

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CG T-3 on September 6, 1963, advised that among subject's recent contacts was a person by the name of FRANZXHAMM who recently arrived in the United States from Germany. To the knowledge of CG T-3 this individual was reportedly travelling about the United States visiting the cities of Detroit, Michigan, Cleveland and Akron, Ohio and Los Angeles, California. He reportedly was in confact with Serbians and Croatians in these Ozech locations. It was stated that this individual had been in the United States on several previous occasions. On this occasion it was stated that he was accompanied by one Dr. TRISCHLE.

The following information pertaining to one FRANZ HAMM was learned from CG T-10 on October 15, 1963:

It was learned that FRANZ HAMM and his wife ANNA HAMM and their 12 year old daughter had filed the necessary papers during March, 1951, in requesting permission to come to the United States from Germany. However, at that time the papers pertaining to Mr. and Mrs. HAMM had been mislaid and they were ohil not accepted in the 54,000 quota refugee program. During 1952, applications for admission to the United States on the part of Mr. and Mrs. HAMM were filed under the provisions of the displaced persons act which expired June 30, 1952, and they failed to receive visas due to administrative difficulties and they had hoped to receive visas under the German or Czech quota. Applications filed by the HAMM family under the displaced persons act disclosed that Mrs. HAMM and children were born and raised in Czechoslovakia. It appeared that Mr. HAMM was also from Czechoslovakia. His address in Germany at that time was Mettenheim Schulhaus bei Muhldorf am Inn 13b Oberbayern, U.S. Zone, Germany...

Their sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. PAUL MILLER, R.F.D. #2, Navarre, Ohio. It was noted that Wrs. HAMM was employed by the military government in Germany from 1947 to 1952. It was noted that by letter dated February 13, 1954, Mr. MILLER agreed to sponsor FRANZ HAMM in order that he could work on their farm in Ohio. It was noted that Mrs. HAMM had gone to school in Canton, Ohio with Mrs. MILLER for a period of four years but returned to Czechoslovakia at the time of her mother's death. The family

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consists of FRANZ HAMM, ANNA HAMM and HILDEGARD PILSAK, a daughter by a former marriage.

On November 1, 1963, IC THOMAS J. WHITE determined that U.59 the records of the Central Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Washington, D.C. contained the following information pertaining to one FRANZ H.F. HAMM:

This individual was described as a German citizen, bearing German Passport Number B3925466, born March 18, 1900, in Neuwerbass. His United States address was listed as in care of Mr. PETER WAGNER, 1625 Hancock Street, Brooklyn, New York. According to these records HAMM entered the United States at New York on August 3, 1961, and departed from the United States on September 19, 1961. He again entered on August 23, 1962 and departed on October 10, 1962. He then entered the United States August 15, 1963, and departed September 17, 1963. On each occasion he was in possession of a B-2 Visa which is a temporary visitor type visa for pleasure.

CG T-3 on this occasion further advised that subject had a very close friend by the name of GESCHWIND. This person was described as an employee of the Hamburg Atlantic Line, a German shipping company. According to CG T-3 subject and this person were almost constantly together until rather recently. It was pointed out that this person travels extensively, apparently in connection with his position. He was described as age 40-45 years, 5'6"-5'7", 150-165 lbs., hair blond, eyes blue and build medium. The current telephone directory for Chicago lists the above shipping company as having offices at 35 East Wacker Drive in Chicago, phone number CE 6-9060.



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APPENDIX

NATIONAL COMMITTEE AGAINST NAZI CRIMINALS AND NAZISM IN AMERICA, Formerly known as National Committee Against Nazi War Criminals and Nazism in America, and Committee Against Nazi Criminals and Nazism in America

A source advised on February 11, 1963, that at a meeting in Chicago on February 10, 1963, a group of former members of the Chicago Anti-Adolph Heusinger Committee (CAAHC), recently disbanded, together with representatives of several other nationality groups met and formed a Committee Against Nazi Criminals and Nazism in America, subsequently renamed the National Committee Against Nazi Criminals and Nazism in America.

This organization's headquarters is in a private residence. It is a non-membership organization and reportedly represents some 15,000 persons from various nationality groups.

Its aims and purposes are to seek out men who committed war crimes in Europe, apprehend them, and force their return to the countries in which their crimes were committed. The President of this committee is Rabbi S. BURR YAMPOL who is anti-communist, but would accept aid from communists if it would serve his purpose. JACK KLING has played a leading role in the formation of this committee and is preparing the "fact sheet" setting out the purposes of this committee.

A second source advised between January, 1963, and April 23, 1963, that four of the five Vice Chairmen of this committee are Communist Party (CP) members and that in April, 1963, JACK KLING, a leading CP of Illinois District functionary, instructed these Vice Chairmen that he did not want the committee identified as communist, and therefore they should arrange for replacements to further remove the possibility of identifying the committee as communists.

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Report of Special Agent Garold R. Fitzgerald dated and captioned as above at Chicago, Illinois.

All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

CG T-2, who has furnished insufficient information to afford evaluation.

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